Sunday, March 9, 1952

We stopped this morning to see the Vilmorin family at Verrières. We hated to say goodbye to them. Poor Louise is [redacted] ill, but [redacted] beautiful as ever. She has to have a serious operation on her tubercular hip, and is just barely able to walk. Following that, she has to have a lung extracted.

Robert Gérard and Carmen Esnault-Pelterie, (who had arrived this morning from Majorca), came to lunch with us at Versailles. It is always wonderful to see them. To-night, Robert sent us a beautiful wooden plaque of Louis XIV. as a farewell present.

We took the children with us to see the Eisenhowers late this afternoon. The Gruenthers were there, as well as John Snyder and the Cliff Roberts from Augusta, Georgia. They were all [redacted] warm, and we hate to leave them.

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